# Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Reverend Father Aron M. Maghsoudi

Rectory Office

738 Sunshine Avenue Central City, PA 15926 814-754-5224 July 17, 2016 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Worship Sites

Church (Sacred Heart)
738 Sunshine Avenue

Chapel (St. John)
162 Wheeler Street

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## Holy Masses:

Daily
Church (Sacred Heart) 8:00AM
Saturday Vigil
Church (Sacred Heart) 4:00PM
Sunday Morning
Church (Sacred Heart) 8:00AM
Chapel (St. John) 10:30 AM

### Confessions:

Church (Sacred Heart)
Saturday 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM
Chapel (St. John)
Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM
Anytime upon Request

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#### Mass Intentions

3:00 AM	Miklavic and Delach Families (Req. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Delach) - Church
July 19 3:00 AM	Weekday in Ordinary Time Margaret Matey (Req. Estate of Margaret Matey) - Church
July 20 3:00 AM	St. Apollinaris Anne Orban (Req. Barb and Bob Schrock) - Church
fuly 21 3:00 AM	St. Lawrence of Brindisi Margaret Hudak (Req. Family)
fuly 22 3:00 AM	St. Mary Magdalene Arlene Lizak (Req. John Harchick Jr.) - Church
fuly 23 4:00 PM	Vigil Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Tillie Pasierb (Req. Pysnik Family) – Church
fuly 24 3:00 AM 10:30 AM	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Michael Chipchosky (Req. Grandchildren Trent & Bryn Keeler) – Church For the People of Our Parish (Missa Pro Populo) - Chapel

#### **UP COMING EVENTS** – Please note the following...

July 18 – Finance Council Meeting at 7:00 PM – CANCELLED – DATE TBA

July 24 – Fr. Aron's Bus Trip to New York City – Fr. Tim Winn covers Sunday morning Masses

July 25 – Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 PM – CANCELLED – DATE TBA

July 27 – Knights of Columbus Meeting at 7:00 PM

August 1– Society of Angels Meeting at 7:00 PM – Note Date Change

August 2 – SHA Meeting at 7:00 PM

August 3 – St. Vincent de Paul Meeting at 7:00 PM

August 5 – First Friday, Eucharistic Adoration from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

August 6-7 – Missionary Co-Op, Fr. Aron away during annual visit from missionary August 14 – Holy Name Sunday, Corporate Communion at 8:00 AM Mass, meeting to follow August 21-22 – Parish Forty Hours Devotions (Closing Devotions, Monday 7:00 PM

**COULD YOU HUG A SUICIDE BOMBER?** – Najih Shaker Al-Baldawi, a local resident of Balad city in Iraq stopped a suicide bomber from the Islamic State of Iraq and Al-Sham (ISIS) from claiming many lives at his town's Sayyed Mohammad Shrine. According to Al-Manar news, the attack was "aimed at destroying the shrine" Najih physically stopped the terrorist from entering the shrine, hugging him before his explosive laden vest detonated, killing them. His body took direct impact of the explosion, reducing the death toll at the Shrine. According to a Joint Operations spokesman in Iraq, the attack caused 70 injuries – the attack comes days after an attack in Iraq's Karrada area which claimed over 300 lives.

OLDEST COPY OF A PRAYER TO THE BLESSED MOTHER – Sometimes there is an accusation made by anti-Catholic wags that Catholic and Orthodox people who ask Mary for her prayers are wrong to seek her intercession and that doing so is something that was "invented" long after the early days of the Church. While this uninformed position can be dispelled with much evidence, perhaps you may find it interesting to know that the oldest original document in known existence which asks Our Lady for her prayers and hails her as Mother of God (Theotokos in the original Greek "Θεοτοκος" means "Bearer of God") dates all the way back to approximately 250 AD, only a couple of centuries after the Death and Resurrection of Christ. This date is also approximately a century before Constantine and the Edict of Milan but, more importantly, two centuries before the Third Ecumenical Council, the Council of Ephesus, in which the Virgin Mary was proclaimed as Mother of God. In 1917, the John Rylands Library in Manchester, England, acquired a large panel of Egyptian papyrus, written in Koine Greek (the "Mediterranean Lingua Franca" in which the Gospels were written). The prayer is to be found in the fragment labeled under the number 470, and it appears to be from a Christmas liturgy (maybe Christmas Vespers), although the fragment might as well be a private copy of the prayer. The prayer goes: *Beneath thy compassion, we take refuge, O Mother of God: do not despise our petitions in time of trouble, but rescue us from dangers, only pure one, only blessed one.* 

**BLESSED BE HIS HOLY NAME** – Many thanks to the Holy Name Society for their work in removing some of the deceased and dying shrubbery from in front of the activity center; your hard work is much appreciated!

**NOTE CHANGES** – When a pastor is appointed the parish and finance councils cease to exist and are to be reappointed by the new pastor. Since Fr. Aron is still waiting for his appointment as pastor the July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the new finance council and the July 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the new parish council will be moved to a later date to be announced in the near future. Once the appointment takes place the meetings will occur – thank you for your patience.

**ST. BENEDICT FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND** – St. Benedict Parish in Johnstown will be celebrating their 83<sup>rd</sup> annual reunion (i.e. festival) this weekend. Their famous Chicken and Waffle Dinner will be served Sunday July from 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM. Tickets will be on sale at the "Ticket Booth" on the Reunion Grounds. For those who wish to attend the dinner and/or the festival there will be a free shuttle service from St. Benedict Religious Gift Shop and the former Geistown Fire Hall on Sunday, 10:30 AM until 7:00 PM – the shuttle is handicap accessible.

**FATHER ARON WILL BE AWAY** – Next Sunday Fr. Tim Winn, a retired priest of the Diocese of Las Vegas, Nevada (and Johnstown native) will be covering the Sunday morning Masses while Father leads a tour of historic Catholic churches in Manhattan. Fr. Aron will be here for Mass Saturday evening.

**WOMEN AND GIRLS CHOIR PRACTICES** – The Women and Girls Choir will be practicing on Thursdays beginning at 7:00 PM at the Sacred Heart site. The choir is getting ready for the 8:00 AM Mass over the Heritage Day weekend. All women and girls are welcome and encouraged to help beautify Holy Mass by singing in this choir.

**SCHOLA PRACTICES** – The St. John the Baptist Schola will be practicing on Tuesdays from 7:00 PM until 8:30 PM at the St. John the Baptist site. The schola is getting ready for the 10:30 AM Mass on August 21<sup>st</sup> which will commence our Forty Hours devotions. All people, men and women, are encouraged to help beautify Holy Mass by singing in the schola.

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS** – There has been some confusion about where funds collected during the second collection are distributed. The collections AT PRESENT are as follows...

1<sup>st</sup> – St. Vincent DePaul, Central City Conference

2<sup>nd</sup> – Slavic Heritage Association

3<sup>rd</sup> – Youth Activities

4<sup>th</sup> – Occasional Second Collection – if it is observed the intention will be announced in advance

**FROM THE SOCIETY OF ANGELS** – The Society of Angels is looking for assistance during Heritage Days (most specifically Saturday and Sunday). The group is looking for able bodied people (preferably 6) to assist during 3 hours shifts to transport food from the activity center to the park (and return empty roasters to the hall). Additionally, the group is in need of people to help with clean up on both Saturday and Sunday. If you can assist with this matter, please phone the rectory.

A PSALM FOR SUMMER – THIS IS NOT OK – Recreation is my shepherd I shall not stay at home. He makes me to lie down in sleeping bags, He leadeth me down the Interstate each weekend. He restoreth my sun tan. He leadeth me to state parks for my comfort sake. And even though I stray on the Lord's Day, I fear no reprimand. My rod and reel they comfort me. I annountist my skin with oil, my gas tank runneth dry. Surely my trailer shall follow me all the weekends this summer and I shall return to the House of the Lord, sometime in the Fall.

**ARTIFACTS NEEDED** – This summer marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the arrival of Fr. Pilz and the beginnings of the Catholic faith in Central City (the date is slightly more complex). Fr. Aron would like to decorate a new meeting room in the rectory with pictures and artifacts from our parish history (both Sacred Heart and St. John). If you have some older photos, suitable for framing, or some artifacts that you would be willing to donate to this display please contact Fr. Aron.

#### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE -

July 23 Church 4:00 PM C.T. & M. Mabon

July 24 Church 8:00 PM L. L. & L. Mincek

July 24 Chapel 10:30 AM A. Knapp, E. & E. Spinelli

PRAYER LIST – Jennie Sielczak, Frank Murawski, Constance Gruca, Lillian Koleszarik, Marie Metsker, Chris Burella, Sandy Wechtenhiser, Ethan Rohlf, Rachel Moslak, Ann Guyer, Lydia Wechtenhiser, Kathryn Yatta, Alice Zelenski, Shirley Taylor, Carol Hancharik, Kay Hintosh, Charlie Field Jr., David P. Bonus, Lauren Barnes, Andrew Straka, Margaret Spinelli, Joe Zeigler, Fern Lasut, Debra Farley, Agnes Palya, Barbara Delasko, Roger Black, Kay O'Toole, Trish Rullo, Mike Stefanik, William Kulback, Madeline Stanzione, Ann Krishak, Stanley Carl Tomaszewski, Stanley Bialek, Patrick Munro, Margie Kulback, Ron Rayman, Carol Maciag, Tom Hudak, Quincy Ogline, Charles Field Sr., Ron Delasko, Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Mary Jeschonek, David G. Bonus, Father James Dugan, Patty Barnes, Madelain Mauger

**WEEKLY OFFERING:** July 9<sup>th d</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> - Adult Envelopes - \$2,428.25 - Students \$24.75 - Loose Change \$398. - Parish Expense \$540. - Building Fund \$61. - Total \$3,452. Thank You!

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK** – The scripture readings for next Sunday's Masses are the following: Genesis 18:20-32, Colossians 2:12-14, Luke 11:1-13

**COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE**: Opening dates for store will be: Aug. 13, Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14 from 8:00 AM till 1:00 PM

<b>SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS</b> – The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Church for the health		
and wellbeing of Stanley Carl Tomaszewski by his parents Stan and Cecilia Tomaszewski. The		
Sanctuary Candle burns at the Chapel for the donors and contributors of Our Lady's Memorial Fund.		
<b>SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS</b> - If you wish the sanctuary candle to be lit in honor of a		
deceased loved one, for an anniversary, please complete the form below and return it to the rectory. The suggested donation is \$10.00.		

Name of Intention and Preferential Date	
Name of Person making Request	